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LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-12 (Cancelled).

Claim 13. (Currently Amended) A high-strength laminate support in a wire-bonded circuit device in

large-scale integrated circuitry, wherein said laminate support is of a strength to resist the circuitry to

deform, in which said circuit device comprises a circuit pad arranged on a substrate whereby said pad

exhibits a tendency to collapse due to detrimental interaction of wire thickness, copper hardness, pad

thickness, processing tool pressure and material construction of the laminate support, comprising:

said substrate being a closed woven mesh structure having a first surface supporting said circuit

device; and

a wire being positioned on said first surface of said substrate, said closed woven mesh structure of

the substrate having a thickness of between about 2.5 and 4.0 mils and being constituted of fiberglass

having strands possessing separation distances which are equal to or less than a cross-sectional

diameter of said wire positioned on said first surface of said substrate, said separation distances

between said strands being within the range of about 0.2 to 0.7 mils so as to prevent deformation and

collapse of said circuit device in response to wire bonding, said closed woven mesh structure of said

substrate being constituted of fiberglass having warp and weave strands, having separation distances

equal to or less than the thickness of said wire on said first surface of said substrate, as measured

lengthwise through said closed woven mesh.

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Claim 14. (Previously Presented) The laminate support in accordance with Claim 13, wherein said circuit device comprises said circuit pad of a large scale integrated design.